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To: Energy Service Providers

Subject: HPO (Historic Preservation On-line) – Additional Exempt Measures and Site Enhancements

CSD's Historic Preservation On-line (HPO) system has been in operation since January 2011 and has helped to expedite historic reviews required by a Programmatic Agreement signed with the State Office of Historic Preservation (SHPO). All dwellings 45 years or older that are weatherized with federal funds (DOE or LIHEAP) require a historic review to determine whether they are listed, or are eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places, so as to prevent possible adverse effects due to weatherization measure installation.

The Programmatic Agreement signed with California's SHPO exempts certain measures from formal review because they will not adversely affect a buildings historic or potentially historic standing. These items are still entered into the HPO automated system, but will not trigger a formal Historic Preservation Officer review and receive an automatic approval. CSD has recently met with and received SHPO's authorization to expand the current list of exempt measures. These measures, outlined below, have been updated on CSD's HPO site and are effective as of October 5, 2011.

Measures Newly Exempt from Formal Historic Review:

- Vinyl Window Repair or Replacement
- Window Repair – Routine repairs designed to restore a window to proper function.
- Door Repair – Routine repairs designed to restore a window to proper function.
- Glass Replacement – Replacing broken or damaged clear, single-pane glass of the same thickness as the original glass. No damage to the window sash, frame or muntins will occur and the single pane glass cannot be replaced by thermal glass.
 - Please Note: Replacement of wired, colored, stained, textured and/or leaded glass is not exempt and will require a formal Historic Preservation Officer review.
- Door Replacement under the following conditions:
 - Installation of exterior replacement doors where the door opening is not altered and the door cannot be viewed from the public right-of-way;
 - Installation of replacement doors that connect attached garages to dwelling spaces.

Additional Exempt Measures Added to PDS (Project Description Sheet):

- Cooking Appliance Repair / Replacement
- Smoke Alarms
- Ceiling Fan
- Exterior Pipe Wrap
- Microwave Oven
- Torchiere Lamp Replacement

Exempt Energy Audit Measures:

The measures below are a representative sampling of measures that may be identified by a TREAT energy audit and replaced or installed in large, multifamily and high-rise residential buildings.

Measures affecting windows, doors and exterior building appearance will still require a formal HP Officer Review.

- Domestic Hot Water (DHW) Boilers
- DHW Insulated Storage Tanks
- In-Unit and Common Area Lighting
- Exterior Lighting
- Thermostatic Radiator Valves (TRVs)
- Furnaces / HVAC
- DHW Recirculation Controls
- Activent Registers
- Linear Fluorescent T12 Lamps with T8 Lamps
- High Efficiency Pump Motors
- Cold Water Variable Frequency Drive (VFD) Boosters

All HPO Users and Administrators were informed of the system updates by email and the HPO site contains information and a 12-minute recorded webinar under the Resources tab that all authorized users can access in order to learn more about the newly exempt measures and other system enhancements.

If you have further questions, please contact the HPO Help desk at hpohelp@csd.ca.gov.